GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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WATER LOGGING
CHHATRAPAL SINGH

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether several districts and villages in Uttar Pradesh are facing acute water logging problem; and

(b) if so, the effective steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to deal with this problem?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) Yes, Sir. Certain parts of several districts of Uttar Pradesh State are experiencing water logging problem.

(b) Under the centrally sponsored Command Area Development(CAD) Programme, a number of efficient water management activities which include construction of field channels, field drains, land levelling and land shaping, enforcement of warabandi, conjunctive use of surface and ground water, introduction of suitable cropping pattern, creation of awareness of the problem among the farmers have been taken up. Moreover, a new component "Reclamation of waterlogged areas in irrigation Commands" has also been included under the programme since 1.4.1996. Under this item, central assistance to the extent of Rs.6000/- per ha. or half of the expenditure, whichever is less, is provided to the State Government. The State Government of Uttar Pradesh has been executing ten years' plan for reclamation of waterlogged areas under different schemes.